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## Pertinent Comment

BY GUS MALBERT

Who said we couldn't come back?

There he back and will probably work to-day.

Trevillian, a hopeful from Ashland, who has pitched on several of the near-professional teams, has joined the squad and will get a try-out. His record is good, and he may stick.

It was simply a complete reversal of form, with the Colts going at their regular stride, and therefore winning.

The timely swat was always there when needed, and the fellows ran base like they knew how, except when Lode was hit by an infield hit. He is not quite fast enough for that yet.

There were two down at the time, and it might not have been bad but for the fact that everybody was hitting.

And our very own Willie Babb made three hits out of four times up. Hurrah for our side!

Martin likewise found Finny for three outs where they gather not.

Some little discussion before the game as to ground rules. Without trying to butt-in, it looks as if Sullivan's contention that each manager should be allowed to make his own ground rules is right and just.

Some more flowers for the ump. Knecht left, but Henderson came in his place, and his work was eminently satisfactory. It is also on the job. He is going to run the game, and there is no question about it. When the argument happened yesterday he very quietly but firmly told the managers that if they couldn't agree there would be no ground rules, and they would have to play by the book.

Also he it noted that the defensive work of the club was just as good as it could have been, and the grounds were not in the best possible condition.

Remember always that Norfolk has a great ball club, and that when we beat Norfolk we have probably won from the best in this league, next to us, of course.

Sullivan is out of the game with a hurt thumb, which he hurt Thursday while trying to stop Anderson from getting home. That's why he made a poor peg to third.

Lodge made a very good substitute, and ran the game in good shape.

His off to Shorty Lothrop. The diminutive portpaw worked well at all stages.

Lodge's drive to left in the second

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on Allen's three-base hit and sacrifice. The varsity stole seventeen bases. Twelve men played, all of whom will make the Southern trip Saturday. Erwin and Gwathmey batted 1.000 per cent. Washington and Lee holds its annual field day to-morrow on Wilson Field. Phi Delta Phi goats paraded to-day.

Score by Innings: R. H. E.  
Varsity ..... 0 3 6 10 12 -15 20 1  
Hamilton ..... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 1 4 6  
Batteries: Moore, Dooley, Gwathmey, Donahue and Beddow; Bagg, Marmon and Mitchell.

Summary: Two-base hits—Peoples, Brown, varsity. Three-base hits—Erwin, Turbyfill, varsity; Allen, Hamilton. Sacrifice hits—varsity; 6; Hamilton, 1. Base on balls—Dooley, 2; Gwathmey, 2; Bagg, 1; Marmon, 1. Left on bases—varsity, 5; Hamilton, 7. Hit by pitched balls—Turbyfill, varsity. Hits off Moore, 1 in three innicks. Struck out—by Moore, 3; by Dooley, 3; by Gwathmey, 3; by Bagg, 2; by Marmon, 1. Umpire, Accorcia, Virginia League.

## EASTERN LEAGUE

At Jersey City—  
Score: R. H. E.  
Montreal ..... 0 3 0  
Jersey City ..... 0 8 0  
Batteries: Carroll and Curtis; Kissinger and Tonneman. Umpires, Murray and Feider.

At Providence—  
Score: R. H. E.  
Toronto ..... 9 15 7  
Providence ..... 8 12 6  
(Eleven innings.)  
Batteries: Bachman, McGinley, Lush and Phelps; Bagg and Peterson. Umpires, Black and Hart.

At Baltimore—  
Score: R. H. E.  
Rochester ..... 4 9 3  
Baltimore ..... 12 10 1  
Batteries: Holmes, Manser, Wilhelm and Mitchell; Atkins, Vickers and Egan. Umpires, Barron and Rudderham.

At Newark—  
Score: R. H. E.  
Buffalo ..... 10 10 1  
Newark ..... 7 10 4  
Batteries: Malarky, Pierce and Killifer; Johnson and Cady. Umpires, Pollock and Wright. (Eleven innings.)

## LOCAL COMMITTEE WILL MAKE ADJUSTMENT OF FIRE LOSS

Lynchburg, Va., April 28.—The adjustment of the loss at the Academy of Music fire will be referred by the representatives of the adjustment committee to a committee of local builders, who will fix the amount to be paid by the companies, under the policies held on the building and its equipment.

The ruins were inspected by the representatives of the company before this was agreed to, and it is understood that this has been accepted by a committee representing the Academy of Music Company, the owner of the property. The insurance amounted to \$25,000.

## WILL GO TO COLUMBIA.

Norfolk Minister Accepts Presidency of Theological Seminary.

Norfolk, Va., April 28.—Rev. Thornton Whallax, D. D., pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church here, has been called to the presidency of the Southern Presbyterian Theological Seminary at Columbia, S. C., and will accept. His formal election will take place at Columbia May 2. As a result of the departure from Norfolk of Dr. Whallax, the congregations of the First and Second Presbyterian Churches here will unite, with Rev. Joseph Rogers, D. D., now pastor of the First Church, prospective pastor of the united church.

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## VIRGINIA LEAGUE

RESULTS YESTERDAY: Richmond, 3; Norfolk, 1; Roanoke, 10; Danville, 15; Lynchburg, 2; Petersburg, 0.

## STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	P. C.	Year.
Richmond	4	2	.667	.500
Lynchburg	5	3	.625	.500
Roanoke	3	4	.428	.500
Danville	2	5	.286	.200
Petersburg	1	6	.143	.200

## WHERE THEY PLAY TO-DAY.

Norfolk at Richmond.  
Danville at Roanoke.  
Petersburg at Lynchburg.

BY GUS MALBERT.

Sullivan's slashing stickers secured

sumptuous satisfaction from Babb's

blooming, bumptious bouncers in bloody battle yesterday. After which still erative trade it is but necessary to add that the Colts romped home easy victory, never being headed by the winning something to spare when the wire was crossed, the odds being 5 to 1, with no takers. It was all due to the great defensive work of the team behind the heady pitching of Lothrop, and to hitting when it counted.

It happened while A. Dopester and U. Wisenheimer sat around and cawed the roles of informants extraordinary to the populace at large. It was a dogged game, at that, spoiling all of the framed-up stuff of these gentlemen just when they felt that they had it all right, even to the making of his which would be made, and were prepared to deliver a report of the game, cooked and ready to serve, something, yes, several things occurred.

## All Signs Fall.

You see it was this way: The Colts had lost the day before, Norfolk had played rings around them, and the players were a lot of dubs who didn't know the first principles of the game; Sullivan was a manager whose return ticket should have been paid to work immediately; Barker missed being a pitcher about 10,000 miles—all of this had been arranged in proper sequence, A. Dopester being the scribe and U. Wisenheimer, the informant, when those godsendings Colts got in the field and did some things in the ring, playing game themselves. Yes, sir, they did more than that.

They put 'em out in one, two, three order in their half, and then scored three runs in their half, being enough to win the game, though they added to this number later, just to make sure. Now, wasn't that about the upsettingest thing which could have happened to A. Dopester and U. Wisenheimer? And weren't they mad—where?

Just what they did to us the day before we did to them yesterday, only more so. Shorty Lothrop, from the codish land—may his tribe increase—went to the centre much to the perturbation of the information A. Dopester. But, little ones, he uncorked a variety of benders and twisters which set the clam-eating contingent looking for relief from the moment the first sneeze of a strike and put Babb and Anderson on tip-toe wondering what the next one would be.

It was a glorious occasion, and Judge Witt, with Bailiff Jones, acting as bodyguard, sat through every syllable of it, rain drops and all, shouting at the top of his voice, and becoming more dignified in his enthusiastic outburst.

Story of the Tragedy. Second Baseman Anderson led off again for the Tars, and he was as blood of him as ever before, and somehow he didn't look so formidable through the drizzling rain which was falling. Without hesitating he hit at the second ball, and Shorty rolled in a few feet, slapped at the pellet, knocked it down, threw it to first, where George Cowan, with glue in his glove, squeezed it like grim death, and Blundy was out. Those Tars seem run to the blond variety, for Charlie Babb, chief skipper, was next on tap, with his persnickish look, and he let Lothrop, who worked behind the mask have a chance. Shorty lobbed one up to Kirscher, which looked large as a balloon. He poked it to centre over Shorty's head, which isn't hard to do, and then had the impudence to try and steal second. Sid, wideawake and alert, with a million-dollar salary wing, shot the sphere down to Egan and Kirscher was ten feet from the bag when tagged, leaving Staub standing impotently at the plate.

Fineran was De-Finned. Fineran, poor deluded Finny, hope of the Tar race, with lamb-like demeanor, and a delivery like a country wagon needing rain; long of reach and slow of arm—did he meet the sad fate which these lines he about to chronicle. Finny started wrong. The first one he shot over was wide of the mark. So was the next, and in the next, Wee Willie then did what would have been unpardonable, but for the result.

Block, at the receiving end, signalled for one in the groove. Over it came in perfect form. Wee Willie braced, just as did that other Wee Willie—hind name Keeler—in the good old days. He swung, and up against the left field bleachers the ball rested, while our Wee Willie was safe at second, and the crowd joyously yelled.

McCabe was next, with instructions to advance Willie. He tried, but the leather c'wa nicely, but it hit him and he was out.

Fear not, there is more to come. Wallace waited out four bad ones, and Truck slammed a burner into Babb, which that worthy allowed to drift off by without any interference. Baker scoring, Wallace going to third and Truck resting quietly at first. Martin was the psycho kid, tapping a Texan into the air, from which vantage ground it dropped safely to old Mother Earth. Wallace crossing the goal line, Truck advancing to second, and the shortstop tarrying at first. Truck succumbed at third, being forced by Martin's drive to third, while Martin was safe at second, going to third on Egan's out. He scored when Block threw to catch Martin at second, both boys getting credit for a stolen base on the play. Cowan finished the session by grounding along third base. But there were three runs and two hits to our credit.

## How Tars Scored.

Norfolk's lone score came in the sixth, though Shorty had allowed a hit in each inning but the fourth, just to keep the visitors in a good humor. Looking it over, however, it appears that the hit usually came after two men were down, and therefore was of the innocuous variety. The run happened this wise: Anderson fouled to Lodge. Babb took things easy, and worked a pass out of slingshotty. He died on Kirscher's grass-roller, which forced him at second. Staub hit a leaguer just out of Martin's reach, where the grass was wet, and while the ball was playing tag with Matty, finally making a throw, that was too late, and Staub advanced, making it a two-base hit. Dodge popped to Cowan, and the danger was over, if danger it can be called.

## Two More for Us.

For Richmond two additional tallies happened as follows: It was in the fourth spasm. Martin beat out a roller to Dodge. Mattis sacrificed, and both scored safe with Mattis failed to get Martin at second. Cowan also sacrificed, advancing the runners, but was out at first. Lodge put one at Babb, who let him be safe, trying to get Martin at the plate. He made a perfect peg, but Block dropped the ball, scored safe with Mattis in third, and slid on first. Lothrop executed the famous squeeze, laying one down in front of Fineran, Martin scoring. Baker beat out another infield tap, and Lodge tried to score from second, but was caught at the plate.

That was all the scoring. Anderson scared everybody in the third, smacking a beauty to centrefield fence for three bases, but two were down, and it counted not. Hits by Kirscher and Fineran failed to produce in the fifth, and the same number of singles in the sixth were equally unproductive. It was a good game, showing a complete reversal of form, and the Colts won on merits. The score:

## Richmond.

AB. R. H. O. A. E.					
Babb, 2b.....	4	1	3	3	0
Wallace, 1b.....	4	0	0	0	0
McCabe, rf.....	4	0	0	0	0
Egan, 2b.....	3	0	0	1	0
Martin, 3b.....	4	0	0	0	0
Mattis, lf.....	4	2	3	1	0
Cowan, lb.....	3	0	0	12	0
Lothrop, p.....	4	0	0	2	0
Totals.....	28	5	8	27	11

## Norfolk.

AB. R. H. O. A. E.					
Anderson, 2b.....	4	0	1	0	2
Babb, 1b.....	3	0	0	2	1
Kirscher, rf.....	4	0	0	0	0
Staub, lf.....	4	0	1	0	0
Dodge, 2b.....	4	0	1	1	0
Law, lb.....	4	0	0	0	0
Page, lf.....	4	0	1	0	0
Block, c.....	3	0	1	0	0
Fineran, p.....	1	0	0	1	0
Totals.....	26	1	5	13	11

\*McCabe out hit by batted ball.

The score by Innings: Richmond ..... 3 0 0 0 0 0 - 2

Norfolk ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 1

Summary: Two-base hits—Baker, Staub, Law. Three-base hit—Anderson. Sacrifice hits—Cowan, Lothrop, Wallace. Stolen bases—Martin, Mattis, 2. Bats: 28.

Cowan, first base on balls—Off Lothrop, 1; off Fineran, 2. Left on bases—Richmond, 7; Norfolk, 11. Umpires—Lothrop, Fineran, 4 (Baker, McCabe, Cowan, Lothrop). Time of game, 1:14. Attendance, 150.

## RACES AT PENSACOLA.

Feature Event Won by Fred Blunt, on Dandy Dancer.

Pensacola, Fla., April 28.—The feature event at Kipprian Park this afternoon, a gentlemen riders' race, with Cull Holland as the prize, was won by Fred Blunt, on Dandy Dancer, in a drive, from Mr. Hargis, on Elsie Van, by a nose. Only one favorite was successful. Stimulus.

First race—\$75, for three-year-olds, five furlongs, selling—Tamar (3 to 2) second, Red Robin (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:08 3-5. Black Domino, Donation, Lucky Mate and Regards ran.

Second race—\$75, three-year-olds and up, four and a half furlongs, selling—Miss Imogene (3 to 1) first, Lady Hapsburg (2 to 1) second, Johnny Woe (1 to 2) third. Time, :58 3-5. Mary Rud,

John Garner, Stafford, Uncle Walter, Melzar and Charlotte Hamilton ran.

Third race—\$75, three-year-olds and up, four and a half furlongs, selling—Rustiana (5 to 1) first, Beverstine (3 to 1) second, Chalice (even) third. Time, :59 1-5. Okofona, Lucetta, La Sa Ja and Mollie Gibson ran.

Fourth race—\$100, six and a half furlongs, selling—First Premium (3 to 1) first, Our Nugget (1 to 2) second, Hancock (out) third. Time, 1:27 3-4. Chess and Lard Maxim ran.

Fifth race—\$75, three-year-olds and up, mile, selling—Profile (1 to 5) first, Royal Lady (3 to 2) second, Sanctim (out) third. Time, 1:45 3-5. Princess Thorpe, Sweet Owen ran.

Sixth race—purse \$100, for four-year-olds and up, four and a half furlongs—Dandy Dancer (2 to 1) first, Elsie (6 to 1) second, B. J. Swanner (3 to 1) third. Time, 1:00 3-5. Uncle Jim, Hinger and Merry Belle ran.

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